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**RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 11, 2007 OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

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In response to the Office Communication mailed September 11, 2007 in the above-identified application, the Applicant respectfully submits the following.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.